(d) No, Sir.

(e) and (f) Does not arise.

PERSONS REMOVED FROM THE ROLL OF B.C.C.L.

2307. SHRI M. D. SALIM : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of persons removed from the roll of Bharat Coking Coal Limited for unauthorised absence from work in the last three years with year-wise break-up ;

(b) what is the percentage of scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes out of them ;

(c) whether Government are aware of the observation of the Supreme Court that removal from roll is explosive punishment for the charge of unauthorised absence ; and

(d) if so, what is the justification for such removal ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA) : (a)

(a) Year	No. of person removed
1990-91	195
1991-92	308
1992-93	981

(b) Year	% of SCs	% of STs
1990-91	48.2	29.7
1991-92	54.8	25.0
1992-93	57.7	19.97

(c) and (d) : No such observation has been brought to the notice of this Ministry.

AMOUNT SPENT FOR PURCHASING OF HEAVY MACHINERIES FOR COAL INDUSTRY

2308. SHRI M. D. SALIM : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) what are the details item-wise, of heavy earth moving and coal cutting machines and equipments purchased by Bharat Coking Coal Limited till 1-12-93;

(b) what is the cost of each of them and total cost incurred till 1-12-93; and

(c) what amount of Foreign Exchange has been spent on these machineries ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA) : (a) Dragline, shovel, dumper, drill, loader, motor grader and longwall sets of different makes purchased by Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. till 1-12-93 are indicated below :—

Name of the equipment	Total No.
Dragline	2
Shovel (Electric|Hyd.)	202
Dumper	760
HP Doder	243
MM Drill	160
FE Loader	231
Motor Grader	12
Longwall sets	7

(b) and (c) Most of the equipment deployed in BCCL mines are of indigenous origin. A few equipment and longwall sets (in part) were imported for World Bank|U.K. aided projects. The total value of equipment including Foreign Exchange for importing these machineries is Rs. 1480 crores approximately.